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EAST GERMANY/INSTITUT FÜR SCHIFFBAUTECHNIK at VOLDAST Branch Office at DRESDEN**ADVANCED REPORT FOR NAVY USE ONLY**

ISV branch office at DRESDEN was charged with designing and engineering installations aboard VI-SEA craft. Herr WITTMANN, USNER is the head. He is a graduate engineer in the field of thermodynamics. Deputy chiefs are THOMKE and WEISSENBURG who are not believed to be graduate engineers. All three men were working in the USSR for about 6 years, having returned to Germany in 1952.

1. Establishment and location.

The INSTITUT FÜR SCHIFFBAUTECHNIK at VOLDAST (ISV) under Herr E. KLEIN-ITS, until maintained a branch office at DRESDEN. The latter was called I.S.V. ABTEILUNG DRESDEN and was established in 1952 upon the return of its present chief Herr WITTMANN from the USSR. It was located at No. 22, Bernblutstrasse, in DRESDEN. In the beginning ABTEILUNG DRESDEN was accommodated in ISV facilities at VOLDAST and was headed by one Herr HOFFMANN, fnu. After Herr WITTMANN took over, he refused to stay at VOLDAST any longer and the new branch office moved to its present location at DRESDEN.

2. Personnel.**a. Herr WITTMANN.**

Chief of I.S.V.-ABTEILUNG DRESDEN was the above Herr WITTMANN,

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Werner. He is a well experienced graduate engineer (Diplomingenieur) in the field of thermodynamics ("Wärmekraftanlagen"), but is also well experienced in the field of boiler, diesel, turbine, and test-stand construction and operation. During World War II, he was employed as a teststand engineer with an unidentified research institute of the former German navy. Up to 1952, WITTMANN worked in the USSR, probably for their Navy, for about 6 years. He did not disclose any details about his work in the USSR.

b. Herr THOMPKE and Herr WEISZENBERG.

Deputy chiefs were Herr THOMPKE, faw, and Herr WEISZENBERG, faw. They had returned together with WITTMANN from the USSR where they had been working for about 6 years. THOMPKE was an engineer specialized in the field of general engine construction ("Allgemeiner Maschinenbau") whereas WEISZENBERG was an engineer specialized in the field of pipe fitting and boiler construction. It is assumed they were not graduate engineers.

c. Staff Designers.

The office employed a total of between 25 and 30 designers.

3. Mission.

Mission of I.S.W.-ABTEILUNG BRESDEN was to do all the designing and planning of engine installation, pipe fitting, and related work in connection with machinery for VP-SSB craft newly designed at I.S.W. main office. Further research projects were the designing of: streamlined body of "Unterwasserortungsgerat HAI", (sonar for HAI class), "Passverladeeinrichtung" (depth-charge launcher), "Torpedoversuchskammer" (torpedo-drive test chamber), "Taucherdruckkammer" (diver bell) for new diver craft, "Verstellpropeller 4,500" (adjustable pitch propeller), and "Kreislaufmeter". The latter 4 projects were so-called "Extrathemen" (special projects) and more or less favorite projects of Herr WITTMANN.

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